I.C.P.O. Bulletin

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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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08/05/2015: Op Michael is now based at Palmer Station (WAP USA-23, WWFF KFF-0092), Gamage Point, Bonaparte Point, Anvers island (IOTA AN-012) and active as KC4AAC. He's been QRV on PSK so far. Length of stay and further details unknown but we'll update once we get more info. QSL via K1IED, direct only with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage. NO IRC's. [DX-World]

08/05/2015: The DX-Interceptors Amateur Radio Club (MS0IXD) will be doing a DX-Pedition to the Isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA 0449). Working as MT0IXD from Scarlett Point using the modes of SSB, CW and RTTY on the bands of 80-10m, WARC included. Operators Billy GM0OBX Frank MM0HST and Ross GM1KNP will be using two HF stations hopefully on air as long as possible each day. HF Station 1 - Mainly SSB: FT 1000mp, Acom Amplifer, Hexbeam (20/17/15/10). HF Station 2 - Mainly CW/DATA: IC 7200, RM Italy Amplifer, Moxon (15/12), Vertical (homebrew multi band 80-10m). QSL via LoTW and M0OXO ONLY. Club Log online search will be available. Further information and updates on their website at: www.dxinterceptors.co.uk/ [DX-World]

08/05/2015: Paulo, CT1FJZ is currently active (since 5th May 2015) from the Congo Republic as TN/CT1FJZ. QRV so far on 20 metre SSB. No other information or lenth of stay was given. QSL via home call. [ATDX]

09/05/2015: Dan, N8YSZ will be active from Long Island (NA-001, WLOTA 1898), Bahamas, as C6ASZ between 9-16th May. QRV holiday style on 40-10 metres with focus on SSB and Digital modes. QSL via home call, LoTW and bureau preferred. [DX-World]

09/05/2015: On Saturday 9th May, Francois F5JNE/p will activate the Castle of Camezon (DFCF 56-093) located in the commune of Loqueltas (CP 56390, WW Loc. IN78OS). Usual QTR/QRG and modes. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [radioamateur.org]

09/05/2015: The Staffordshire Portable Amateur Radio Club will activate Gwrych Castle (WCA GW-00078), Wales (EU-005, WLOTA 0453) on 9th and 10th of May (10-17 local time) signing GB6AC. QSL via M0VSP. [DX Newsletter]

09/05/2015: For the eigth year in a row, the Cray Valley Radio Society will be active as GB6MW from the Meopham Windmill (WW Loc. JO01ei) on 9-10 May for National Mills Weekend. Plans are to be active on HF (SSB and CW), 2m (SSB and FM) and 4m (FM). QSL via G4DFI, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

09/05/2015: Opertaors Giovanni, IK5BCM and Andrea, IU5BLZ will be active as IE9B from Ustica Island (EU-051, IIA U001, WLOTA 0848) between 9-16th May 2015. Activity will be on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and Digital modes. QSL via home calls, Bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

09/05/2015: Bruce, K5TEN plans activation of Dog Island (IOTA NA-085, USi FL-005S, Grid Loc. EL79), Franklin county, Florida, as K5TEN/4 from 9th May until 16th May. QRV on 40-2 metre SSB and CW using Icom i706 MK II and various antennas. Bruce says: "expect mostly SSB on 40m thru 2m. Contest

style pile-ups and exchanges as there will be little time to chat. PLEASE spot me on internet spotting sites as I do not self spot." QSL USA: direct (see QRZ.com), SASE required. QSL DX: direct $2US + SAE or bureau. NO LoTW or eQSL for this event. [rsgbiota.org]

09/05/2015: Arturo, KG4DRP/p plans to activate Garden Key (USi FL-013S) Dry Tortugas (IOTA NA-079, WWFF KFF-0023) on 9th and 10th of May. Activity will be QRP on 20 metre SSB. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

09/05/2015: Jim, W8ERI (ex-E51AAA, 3D2ZF) will again be active from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) as ZF2ZL between 9-15th May, 2015. Holiday style QRP with a Yaesu FT-817 SSB on 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL direct only to W8ERI (see QRZ.com). Website: www.qrz.com/db/XE3/W8ERI [DX-World]

10/05/2015: Look for Jose, EA5IDQ to be active from Mauritius Island (AF-049, WLOTA 0595) as 3B8/EA5IDQ from 10-18 May, 2015. QRV on 40-6 metre SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. Website: www.dxpedition.eu/ [NG3K]

10/05/2015: Sascha, DG4ABE will be active holiday style as 8Q7BI from the Republic of Maldives (AS-013) between 10-17 May, 2015. QRV on 20-10m, mostly Digi-modes, with some SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [DX-World]

10/05/2015: Jos, PA3FYC will be active from Sal Rei, on the northwestern coast of the island of Boa Vista (AF-086, WLOTA 0972), in eastern Cape Verde, as D44TCA between 10-22 May 2015. QRV on HF bands, holiday style. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX-World]

10/05/2015: Mike, DG5LAC (DOK: E38 Sued Stormarn) plans activity as EA8/DG5LAC from Isla de Fuerteventura (DIE S-006, WLOTA 0883, WWFF EAFF-0191), Canary Islands (AF-004) from 10-24th May. Expect activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre SSB, using low power. QSL via bureau, direct or OQRS via DG5LAC. [rsgbiota.org]

10/05/2015: Operators Francis ON8AZ, Geert ON7USB, Tim ON5HC, Patrick ON4PQ and Lieven ON7PQ will be active as TM5U from Brehat Island (EU-074, DIFM MA-012, WLOTA 2010, Grid Loc. IN88), Natura 2000 - Tregor Goelo (WWFF FFF-1194) between 10-15th May, 2015. QRV on 160-6 metre SSB, CW and Digital modes. QSL is by bureau or direct only ! QSL direct with 2 green stamps and self-addressed envelope via ON8AZ (Francis Balcaen, Heulebosstraat 33, B-8501 Heule, Belgium). Further information and updates at: www.eu074.be/ [rsgbiota.org]

12/05/2015: Ville, PY2ZEA (OH1MM) will again be active from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003, DIB OC-01, WLOTA 1208, WWFF PFYY-0016) as PW0F between 12-20th May 2015. QRV on 40-10 metre CW and SSB. No RTTY this time, sorry. 160m and 80m not sure due to the high noise level and limited space available at the QTH. Furthermore, it is almost summer in the Northern hemisphere, thus the propagation on the low bands is not optimal. Logs will be merged with previous PW0F logs in due time (Club Log and LoTW). QSL via OH2BH ONLY [DX-World]

13/05/2015: Iain, G4SGX will be active as FG/G4SGX and an occasional FG/G4SGX/p (on the beach) from Guadeloupe Island (NA-102, DIFO FG-001, WLOTA 0644) between 13-19th May. Activity will be holiday style on 40/30/20 metres, mainly CW and possibly some Digital, using dipoles and a 17m vertical on the beach. QSL via home call, direct, bureau and LoTW. [DX-World]

14/05/2015: Eddy ON6EF, Jan ON6VJ and Bruno ON1CH will be active from Jersey Island (EU-013, WLOTA 0818, Grid Loc. IN89) as MJ/homecalls between 14-18 May, 2015. They will use a TS-2000 with FD4 and some other dipoles working from 160-6 metre, including the WARC bands. Eddy, ON6EF will also make a short iota trip to Sark Island (EU-114, WLOTA 0944) using the call MU/ON6EF/p with a TS-50S and FD3 dipole, external car battery and 100W. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

14/05/2015: Gil F4FET, Diego F4HAU and Jerome F4HJO will be active as TM2BIG from Stagadon Island (EU-105, DIFM MA-094, WW Loc. IN78qp) on 14-18 May. They will operate SSB and RTTY on 40-6 metres with three stations. QSL via F4FET, direct or bureau and OQRS via Clublog. [425 DX News]

14/05/2015: A large group of operators will be active as YB5M from Pasumpahan Island (OC-262, WW Loc. OI08ev) starting 0000z 14 May and QRT on 0500z 17 May. QRV on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and Digital modes. Team members include Hafni YB5FN, Vector YB5BOY, Surya YB5EHQ, Denny YC5KIK, Yhonny YB5LX, Mardiyan YC5MB, Syahril YC5DSM, Dahnial YC5KJY, Nana YC5EGN, Zulherman YC5JYY, Uncu YD5DFR, Zainal YD5KCI, Horizony YB5HO, Fristianto YC5KKB, Fauzimar YD5DUI, Alfadi YB5JAJ and Robby YD4IRS. OQRS will be available via Paypal and Club Log. Full information and updates can be found on their website at: http://yb5m.com/ [W2FB]

LOOKING AHEAD -

16/05/2015: Alan, G3XAQ will be active from Brusubi, The Gambia, as C56XA from 16 May until 4 June 2015. Holiday style operation on the HF bands. Activity will include a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (30-31 May). QSL via G3SWH - you can search the log and request QSLs at: www.g3swh.org.uk/c56xa.html [DX-World]

21/05/2015: The Italian DXpedition Team is pleased to announce its next DXpedition. Unlike some of its previous activities this trip is dedicated to a specific event: the recent authorization for the usage of 6 metre band in the Republic of Kenya. The trip to Nairobi (WW Loc. KI88KS) is planned for the 21st of May until the 31st and the crew will use the call 5Z0L. Team members include Silvano I2YSB, Vinicio IK2CIO, Angelo IK2CKR, Marcello IK2DIA and Stefano IK2HKT. The pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY. The 6 metre pilot will be Sergio, IK0FTA. They plan to be QRV on 80-6m CW, SSB and RTTY using 3 stations (K3 + KPA-500 amplifier), 2 x 5 band spider beams, 3 band 1/4 wave vertical, I0JXX 5el 50MHz beam. QSL via I2YSB, direct only. The IDT will leave in Kenya the 5JXX6 5 elements antenna to Daniel 5Z4/EA4ATI, to continue the activities on 6m after the end of the dxpedition. Further info, updates, OQRS, log online real time at: www.i2ysb.com/joomla5/ [DX-World]

22/05/2015: Look for Mario, DJ7MH to be active from Baltrum Island (EU-047, DID/GIA N-06) as DJ7MH/p on 22-24 May. Acitivity will be on 40, 30 and 20 metre CW, using QRP. QSL via home call by the bureau is preferred way. QSL also via eQSL and LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

22/05/2015: Look for Martin, OL5Y to be active from the QTH of Laurent FM5BH, in Ducos, island of Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041) between 22nd May and 1st June. Martin will also be QRV in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (30-31 May) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Outside the contest, activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via OL5Y and LoTW. [NG3K]

28/05/2015: Feliciano, IZ7EVZ plans to activate the Tremiti Islands [Isole Tremiti] (IOTA EU-050, Grid Loc. JN72), region of Apulia and province of

Foggia (FG), Italy, between 28th May and 1st June 2015. He will operate using the callsign EU50/IZ7EVZ (approved by RSGB IOTA) from 40-6m SSB using FT-897D, Power 1 KW, with home made dipole and vertical. This activation counts for Tremiti Islands Natural Marine Reserve that forms part of the Gargano national park (WWFF IFF-0013). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [IZ7EVZ]

29/05/2015: Laci, HA0HW will make his yearly travel to Thasos [aka Thassos] Island (EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186, WW Loc. KN20HS) between 29th May and 8th June 2015. QRV holiday style on the HF bands using the callsign SW8WW. QSL direct or bureau to HA0HW via OQRS on SW8WW page on QRZ.com. Log will be hosted by Club Log. Website: www.c3.hu/~ha0khw/ha0hw.html [rsgbiota.org]

19/06/2015: John, W5JON will again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87pg), W.I. vacation home, located 200 feet from the Caribbean Sea, from 13th June until 22nd July 2015. QRV on 160-6m (incl. 60m) SSB. Also operation in the, IARU HF SSB (July 11/12) Contest, SOAB, is planned. Radio: Kenwood TS-590S, and Elecraft KPA500 Amplifier. Antennas: 31' 10-40m Vertical, 35' 40/80m Top Loaded Vertical, shortened 160m Dipole, and 6m/3el Yagi. ALL QSL's DIRECT ONLY, to W5JON. [DX-World]

30/05/2015: Yuriy, N2TTA plans a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (30-31 May) from Christiansted, island of St. Croix (NA-106, USi VI-002S, WLOTA 2477). QSL via LoTW. QSL also OK direct only to N2TTA (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

22/06/2015: Pete, VE3IKV plans activity as C6AUX from Mayaguana Island (IOTA NA-113, Grid Loc. FL32) between 22 June and 6 July 2015. Focus will be on 6 metre CW and SSB, possibly some HF. QSL direct to VE3IKV (see QRZ.com). [VE3IKV]

11/07/2015: Ric, DL2VFR will be active on the HF bands as OZ0FR/p from Mon [Moen] Island (EU-029, OZI/DIA SJ-017, WLOTA 4630) betweem 11th and 31st July 2015. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (25-26 July). QSL direct or bureau to DL2VFR. Website: www.iota-expedition.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

23/07/2015: Look for Peter G3PHO, Mike G0NEY, David G8EQD, Krystyna 2E0KSH, John M6JIJ, Steve G0EAK, Sue M6XAK, Peter M0PJO, David M0GDX, David M5DWI and John G4LKD to be active from Arran Island (EU-123) from 23-26 July. Focus will be on the RSGB IOTA Contest using the callsign GM5TO. This is a joint Dxpedition with Sheffield & District Wireless Society, Worksop ARS and the 93 Contest Group for the IOTA Contest 2015. Their location is the Seal Shore campsite, Kildonan (WW Loc. IO75KK. Outside the contest they will be active as GM2AS (Sheffield DX Group). QSL via G3PHO for both callsigns. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2015: Operators Christoph DM5HF, Christoph DC2CC, Axel DB1WA and Joerg DM4DL will be active as DR0F from Neuwerk Island (EU-127, DID/GIA N-012, WLOTA 2311, WWFF DLFF-0005), including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (25-26 July). Their host will be the Schullandheim Meereswoge, Insel Neuwerk Link: www.meereswoge-neuwerk.de/ . QSL via bureau or direct to DM4DL, seemless logging to QRZ.com. Website: www.amateurfunk-im-alstertal.de/ [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2015: Vincenzo, IK7IMO plans activity as IJ7V, a Single-Op/SSB/24Hr/High-Power/DXPed entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (25-26

July) from San Pietro Island (EU-073, IIA J002, MIA MI-094). QSL via IK7IMO, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

25/07/2015: Nigel, G3TXF and Ian, G3WVG will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest as MZ5A from the island of Papa Stour (IOSA SH14, SCOTIA SI12) in the Shetland and Fair Isle Group (IOTA EU-012). QSL via G3TXF and LoTW. [NG3K]

24/09/2015: Stan, LZ1GC (ex-C21GC, 3D2GC) plans activity from the Vaiaku Lagi Hotel, Funafuti island (WW Loc. RI91OL), Tuvalu (OC-015) as T2GC between 24 September and 4 October 2015. QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY with a target of 30K QSOs. Funafuti island forms part of the Funafuti Conservation Area [aka Kogatapu Conservation Area; Funafuti Marine Conservation Area] (WWFF T2FF-0001). Website with full details will be launched shortly. [DX-World]

17/10/2015: Ed, WA1ZAM will once again be active as PJ7PL from Cupecoy, island of Dutch Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) and will be QRV for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (24-25 October) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He will be on the HF bands a week before the contest and a week after using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. [DX-World]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

08/05/2015: The Guernsey Amateur Radio Society will activate special event station GU70LIB on 8-10 May for the 70th anniversary of the Liberation of Guernsey during World War II. QSL via operator's instructions. [425 DX News]

09/05/2015: Members of VERON section 54 will activate the special call PA05MILL during the National Mills Weekend (9-10 May). This will be the 5th activation of the Windmill 'the Old Mill' at Oudemolen, The Netherlands. A special QSL will be issued via the bureau to all contacts made. Further details and information on the relevant award can be found at: a54.veron.nl/content/pa05mill.html [PA1BR]

11/05/2015: Look for special event station PA125VVG to be activated, on all HF / VHF bands and in different modes, by VERON section 54 between 11th May and 7th June, 2015. This occasion will celebrate the Vincent van Gogh Year 2015 - 125 years Vincent van Gogh. For all QSO's with the special call PA125VVG a special QSL card will be sent via the QSL bureau. e-QSL and LoTW will not be used. Further details and information on the Vincent Van Gogh Award can be found at: a54.veron.nl/content/pa125vvg.html [PA1BR]

U.S.A. Special Event Stations can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

08/05-10/05 GU70LIB: Guernsey Island (main) WLOTA:0013 QSL Op's Info
08/05 K5AC/4: Loggerhead Key WLOL:USA-236 WLOTA:0274 QSL H/c (d/B)
08/05-11/05 MT0IXD: Man Island WLOTA:0449 QSL M0OXO OQRS
08/05-10/05 TM70IO: Ile d'Oleron WLOL:FRA-234 WLOTA:1369 QSL F5BZK (d/B)
09/05-16/05 C6ASZ: Long Island WLOTA:1898 QSL N8YSZ (d)
09/05-10/05 CR3L: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL DJ6QT (d/B)
09/05-10/05 GB6AC: Wales (main island) WLOTA:0453 QSL M0VSP (d/B)
09/05-16/05 IE9B: Isola di Ustica WLOTA:0848 QSL IU5BLZ (d/B)
09/05-15/05 ZF2ZL: Grand Cayman Island WLOTA:1042 W8ERI (d)
10/05-18/05 3B8/EA5IDQ: Mauritius Island WLOTA:0595 QSL H/c (d/B)
10/05-22/05 D44TCA: Ilha da Boa Vista WLOTA:0972 QSL PA3FYC (d/B)

10/05-22/05 EA8/DG5LAC: Isla de Fuerteventura WLOTA:0883 QSL H/c (d/B)
10/05-15/05 TM5U: Brehat Island WLOTA:2010 QSL ON8AZ (d/B)
12/05-20/05 PW0F: Ilha Fernando de Noronha WLOTA:1208 QSL OH2BH (d/B)
13/05-19/05 FG/G4SGX: Guadeloupe Island WLOTA:0644 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON1CH: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON6EF: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON6VJ: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MU/ON6EF/P: Sark Island WLOTA:0944 QSL H/c (d/B)

6 METRES & UP -

09/05-10/05 F9AA Cup Contest 2m class 09 1200z-10 1200z
09/05-10/05 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 6m class 09 1200z-10 2359z
09/05-10/05 Nevada QSO Party 6m class 09 1700z-10 1700z
09/05 Open VHF-FM Contest 2m FM/HP/QRP 1800z-2000z
09/05 Spring VHF/UHF Sprint 50MHz 09 2300z-10 0300z
09/05-10/05 GB6MW: Meopham Windmill Grid:JO01 4m/2m SSB/FM QSL G4DFI (d/B)
09/05-16/05 K5TEN/4: Dog Isl NA-085 Grid:EL79 6m/2m SSB/CW QSL H/c (d/B)
10/05-15/05 TM5U: Brehat Island EU-074 Grid:IN88 6m CW QSL ON8AZ (d)/Buro
12/05 LY 432MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
12/05 NRAU 432MHz Activity Contest Open/SO/MO 1800z-2200z
12/05 SPAC 432MHz Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z
12/05 RSGB 432MHz UKAC SO/Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
13/05 MOON Contest 432MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1800z-2000z
14/05 LY 50MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
14/05 NRAU 50MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
14/05 SPAC 50MHz Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON1CH: Jersey EU-013 Grid:IN89 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON6EF: Jersey EU-013 Grid:IN89 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 MJ/ON6VJ: Jersey EU-013 Grid:IN89 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
14/05-18/05 TM2BIG: Stagadon EU-105 Grid:IN78 6m SSB/TTY QSL F4FET (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_may.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

QSLs via Bureau: 3DA0ET, 5C2P, 5H3MB, 7O2A, 7P8OC, A61TT, A65BR, A65EE, D44TUJ, E51XIW, J6M, RI1ANR, T30D, TO7BC, VU4K, VU7AG and Z35F.

QSLs via Direct: 3B9FR (M0OXO), 5W0JY (JA1JQY), 5W0KJ (JA1KJW), DU3/YL3JM [OC-244] (H/c), E20HHK/p [AS-145] (H/c), FJ/NN2DX (NR6M), FJ/WW2DX (NR6M), P40CX (K8CX), V31AT (K5PI), VK7NSE (QRZ.com), VP8DXU (W7XU), YB200T [OC-150] (W2FB), YB4IR/7 [OC-252] (OQRS), YB4IR/7 [OC-269] (OQRS), YB8RW/3 [OC-250] (H/c) and ZD8N (G3ZVW).

QSLs via LoTW: 4U0ITU, 7QAA, CX6VM, E30FB, EI0IMD, K1TN, K1TR, K7D, KO7X, N7WY, OH0V, PY90IARU, SP90IARU, TC57A, V6Z, VK9XSP, W1XX, WA1Z, WI7N, WX1S, YC8UTI, YE533KC, YF1AR/4, ZR1WZ and ZS90SARL.

BITS & PIECES -

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (May 3, 2015) -
The 63rd annual W9DXCC DXConvention and Banquet will be held September 11-12, 2015, in Schaumburg, Illinois.

Sponsored by the Northern Illinois DX Association, the event is an ARRL-approved operating specialty convention. One new addition this year is a Contest University program that will join the DX University on Friday. Bothtracks will have presentation for new and veteran DXers and contest operators. The daylong convention on Saturday will feature a full program of speakers, exhibits, QSL card checking, a CW pileup contest and many prizes. The Banquet on Saturday evening is a time to relax with keynote speaker Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, former FCC Special Counsel for Spectrum Enforcement, as well as the DXCountdown and grand prizes. The convention is scheduled one week earlier than normal because of hotel availability. Woodfield Mall, which offers a wide array of shopping, is one traffic light south of the convention site.
Hyatt Regency Schaumburg
1800 East Golf Road
Schaumburg, IL 60173
Website: schaumburg.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html

3W, VIETNAM -
Juergen, DL1HRN is currently active from Hanoi, Vietnam as 3W9HRN. QRV on the HF bands, using CW. QSL via home call. [DX-World

9N, NEPAL -
Dale BA4TB and Ni BD4TR are members of the Chinese earthquake rescue team in Kathmandu, Nepal. They will be active as 9N7TB and 9N7TR when not doing emergency traffic. QSL via homecalls. [DX-World]

KH8 - AMERICAN SAMOA -
The KH8B 2015 CQWW SSB and CW announced operations by Masa, JH3PRR from Pago Pago, island of Tutuila, American Samoa, are cancelled because the QTH is no longer available for rent. [JH3PRR/NG3K]

MILL AND WATER PUMP STATION WEEKEND -
This event will be held on May 9/10 in the Netherlands and also other countries in Europe. For information on a special award and other info see:
www.pd6mill.com/
http://www.nationalmillsweekend.co.uk/nmw.htm

NEWS FROM JEAN-MICHEL, F6AJA -
- Alain, F6BFH is on the way back after his activity from Clipperton as TX5P. After 3610 QSOs on the log he will be at home on 9th May.

- Moustafa, F4HGL will be in Iraq for six months from the end of June. He is waiting for his licence and he will be active during his free time mostly in SSB.

- After ten years in Thailand in Koh Sami (IOTA AS-101), but only 3 years with licence, Alain F6HBR/HS0ZKG is back in Europe. He has logged 16200 QSOs (78% in CW, 12% RTTY ans 10% PSK). [F6AJA]

WWFF ACTIVITY -
- Tomorrow (8th May), after 0800Z, members of Radio Club Croatian Flora Fauna, 9A1WFF, will be active from Special ornithological reserve "Strmec-Sava" (WWFF 9AFF-079). Activity will be on 40, 15 and 20m, SSB. QSL via 9A2MF. [9A6AA]

- On Saturday 9th May approx 11:00 UTC members (and friends) of the EDR Mors-Nordthy club, will activate Loegstoer bredning - Vejlerne (WWFF OZFF-128). This is the first activation and many calls will be on the air (OZ1JVX, OZ1IIL, OZ3FI, OZ7MOR, OU25AEI and perhaps more). QSL via home

calls.
In the evening (9th May), Jakob OZ7AEI plans a trip to Bulbjerg-knuden (WWFF OZFF-0010) using the call OU25AEI/p (Perhaps with company). QSL via home call(s). [OZ7AEI]

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND -
News de ZL7/F8FUA:
Alain F8FUA is well arrived to day on Chatham Island (IOTA OC-038) where he will sign ZL7/Homecall, untill 13th May. At the moment he is active only on 20 metre CW. The propagations seems to be very poor and the forecast is very windy an rainy. Dont forget to adjust his local time to yours and watch the clusters. More information under F8FUA at QRZ.Com. [F5NQL]
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73 and Good DX!
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